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COMMUNISTS CONTINUE ATTEMPTS
TO CONTROL KMT SABOTAGE ACTIVITIES

ISSUE REGULATIONS ON BANDIT PUNISHMENT -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 26 Apr 50

Canton, 25 April -- Regulations governing the punishment of bandits and KMT special agents were jointly promulgated, on 25 April 1950, by the Kwangtung Provincial People's government and the Kwangtung Military District as follows:

1. Bandits found guilty of resisting our military forces and government, or endangering the lives of the people, will be executed.
2. Those found guilty of spreading false rumors, causing unrest, disrupting transportation, attacking revolutionary organizations, assassinating government officials and personnel, or pillaging public storehouses, will be executed.
3. Leaders of special agent organizations, and those found guilty of plotting against our government and the people, will be executed.
4. Bandits and special agents who surrender voluntarily and who actively support the CCP program may be exonerated or be given light sentences.
5. Those who joined forces with the bandits because of personal grudges but who rejoin our forces will not be punished provided they make peace with those who were their enemies.
6. Monetary rewards will be given to those who aid in the capture of a bandit leader, cause the dissolving of a bandit group, or submit information leading to the annihilation of bandits.
7. Former members of the people's armed guerrillas or local activities personnel who were forced to join the bandits, but who escape and rejoin our forces, will not have charges placed against them. Those who joined the enemy through personal greed will be punished according to their guilt. However, those who lead their subordinates to surrender to our forces will be given minimum sentences.

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8. All ammunition belonging to bandits and special agents must be surrendered. All public-owned ammunition still remaining in the villages will be collected by the government. Ammunition being used for personal protection against bandits must be registered. All unregistered ammunition will be confiscated. The manufacture of ammunition will be prohibited. Those who violate these regulations will be prosecuted according to law.

9. People who obey government regulations will be given full protection but those who give aid, comfort, protection, shelter, and information to the bandits, will be prosecuted according to the law.

10. Former KMT village officials desiring to join our ranks must aid in the annihilation of bandits. Those found guilty of aiding, comforting, protecting, or giving valuable information to the bandits, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

11. All bandits found guilty of pilfering public storehouses will be required to return the stolen goods.

12. Relatives and friends of the bandits must urge the bandits to surrender and to register with the People's government to start a new life.

13. Individuals who have joined our revolutionary forces or organizations for the purpose of gathering secret information, or to disrupt our activities, may openly confess to their superiors to repent for their misdeeds. If they continue with their clandestine activities, they will be punished according to the law and no leniency will be given.

REPUBLICAN AGENTS ACTIVE -- Shanghai Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 18 Apr 50

Peiping, 16 April -- A news item from Hankow reported that between the winter of 1949 and the spring of 1950, numerous sabotage activities were carried out by special agents of the Nationalist government in the Central and South China region. It reported the following incidents which occurred during that period:

1. Propagation of rumors, organization of ruthless bands of landlords, threatening of civilians, instigation of demonstrations and planning of raids on food storage warehouses.

2. Raids on cotton and food-storage warehouses. In Yuan-ch'eng Hsien, Honan Province, dynamite and catches were found in a cotton warehouse; food stored in one of the warehouses in Hopoh Province was spread with sulfur; and cotton shipped out of Ho-yang by boat was soaked with gasoline.

3. Destruction of factories. In September 1949, the Shang-jao Coal Mine in Hiangsi Province was destroyed by special agents. Local bands and special agents attacked Siao-yang Chemical Factory in Hunan Province.

4. Destruction of railroads. On 20 January 1950, 41 sticks of dynamite were found under the rails near Yo-yang on the Hankow-Canton line; railroad communication wires in Shih-li Hsien, Hunan Province, were cut by special agents in many places during January and February 1950.

Besides the above activities, there were incidents involving the attacking of public offices, assassination of public officials, poisoning of food, etc., all aimed at the destruction of economic reconstruction plans.

For this, the Hankow Chieh-fang Jih-pao had the following editorial comments in a recent issue:

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Closer cooperation between Party Authorities, military forces, and civilians for the protection of food warehouses, mines, highways, railroads, and all other national properties should be demanded. There is no doubt these incidents are the work of special agents and Nationalist bandits carrying out harrassing activities to sabotage economic reconstruction plans. However, at the same time, a number of government officials in various fields are equally responsible for the occurrence of these incidents. These officials, not only are neglecting their duties and avoiding responsibility, but are unable to enforce controls and incompetent in recruiting civilians for the protection of factories and mines.

Therefore, this paper not only recommends that officials of the People's government and civilians unite and overcome their irresponsible attitude, but also organize more rigid and effective protective measures and place armed guards at every mine, factory, railroad, and warehouse which plays an important role in the economic reconstruction and development of China.

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